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Large crowd supports Pilots at alumni game

Amanda Ellis
Lindsey Fertitta
ALMAGEST

Despite a huge rally in the bottom of the fourth inning, the Pilots were not able to overcome Louisiana Tech's lead and were defeated 17-9 in the Alumni game, held April 28 at Fairgrounds Field.

Tech began the game with a strong first inning, scoring 7 runs from 7 hits, giving the Bulldogs a lead that would prove to be too much to overcome by the Pilots.

In the bottom of the first inning, outfielder Chad Hayes knocked in first baseman Simon Garcia with a double, but that would be the only run Tech defense would allow until LSUS's rally in the fourth.

With two runs scored in the second inning, and one more in the third, Tech had a 10-1 lead going into the fourth inning. LSUS kept them from scoring with an out on a pop-fly and a double-play. Then the bats came alive for the Pilots.

Chad Hayes began the inning with a double, and was drove in by a double from infielder Nathan Teater. Catcher Jason Reynolds, and infielder, Jared Fontenot, both got on with singles to load the bases. Outfielder Dustin Wright hit a pop-fly single to shallow left field to knock in Hayes to make the score 10-3. Two more runs were scored when outfielder Rocky Cunningham walked, and Simon Garcia was hit by a pitch. With the score 10-5, Tech made a pitching change, but it didn't slow the Pilots' rally. Chad Hayes, with his third hit of the day, knocked in two more runs with a double, and outfielder Rob Carroway hit a hard line-drive to left field to score Hayes, making the final score of the inning 10-8.

LSUS pitcher Josh Constant, and the Pilot defense only allowed three runs to be scored in the fifth, sixth, and seventh innings, but in the eighth, Tech scored three more runs on two walks and a single to make the score 17-8.

The ninth inning went pretty quickly, but the Pilots scored a run off a base hit by Rob Carroway, who was knocked in by James Reynolds. Tech closing pitcher, Ben Hickman earned a win, and Alan Jordan, closing pitcher for LSUS, gaineed a loss, with the final score being 17-9.

Following the game, the Student Activities Board sponsored the local alternative band, Low and Left, to provide some live, post-game entertainment.

The game was sponsored by Willis Knighton Health Systems, Bank One and LSUS Alumni.

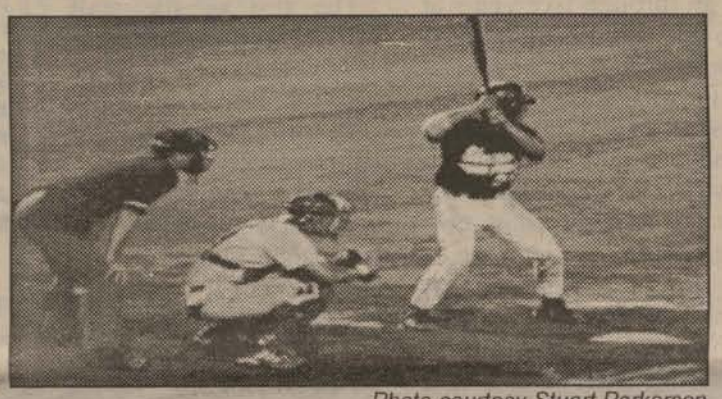
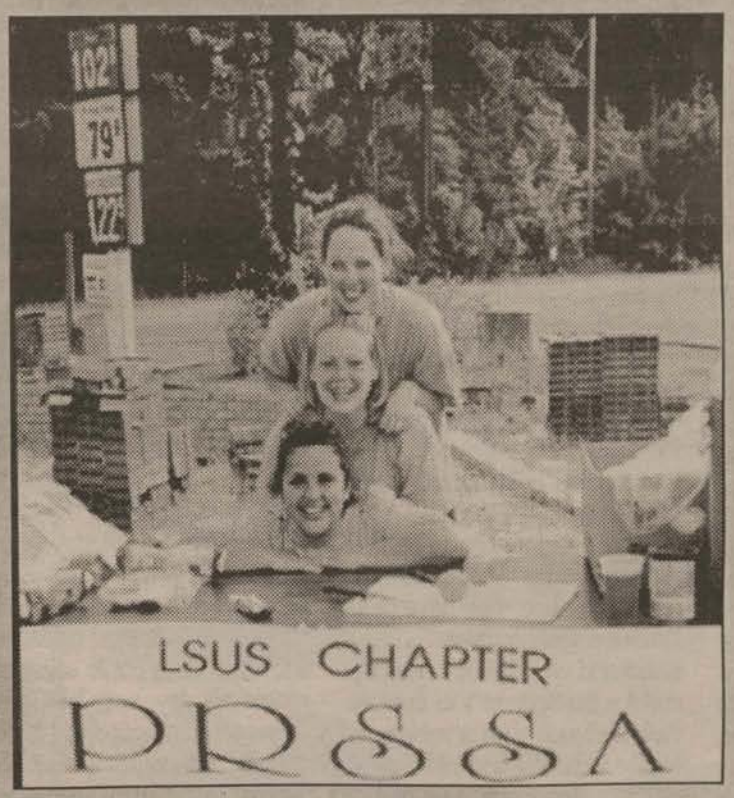


Photo courtesy Stuart Parkerson

Catcher, James Reynolds up to bat for the Pilots vs. La. Tech



Public Relations Student Society of America took part in the American Diabetes Association's Tour de Cure. The event was a bike-a-thon to raise money for the charity. Jackie Brown, Andrea Villareal and Virginia Landry took part in this worthy cause.

Commencement speaker internationally known

Lindsey Fertitta
ALMAGEST

Spring Commencement will host an exciting time for graduates. There will be a new tradition beginning this year with a pre-graduation reception being catered by Dominick's restaurant and the Cake House. Sponsored by Student Government Association, Student Activities Board, and the Office of Student Activities, this celebration will have mini muffalettas, pasta salad, fruit trays, and a graduation cake. Graduates are to be at the Exposition Hall at 5:30 and the reception will last for about an hour.

The guest speaker for this years commencement will be Russell Autry, President of the Greater Shreveport Chamber of Commerce and the Greater Shreveport Economic Development Foundation. Autry is a graduate of the Academy of Organization Management at the University of Notre Dame. His work in economic development and marketing/communications has won over 30 national awards, including the 1994 American Chamber of Commerce Executives Chairman's Professional Leadership Award, his profession's highest honor.

Spring Commencement will be held Wednesday, May 19 at 7 p.m at the Shreveport Expo Hall.

Autrey

And to all a good-bye

Well kids, it is finally over. After several years of avoiding it, I have been informed by LSUS that I must graduate. The nerve of these people making me have to grow up and move into the real world.

That's alright. I was getting tired of watching the trees grow anyway.

I have seen, in my time at LSUS, several reporters and others give these kind of farewell letters. In them I always see advice being given. Things to do or not to do. Teachers to take and ones that will pass you for not showing up. I decided to be different. I am not going to to tell you a single thing. Hey, I had to go through five years at LSUS with no one helping me.

I will release one bit of advice and it is the only advice I feel qualified to give. DO NOT goof off for too long. I know college is fun. Believe me, it is hard to believe that University Court Apartments was still standing after me and a large group of others (including Kappa Sigs Jeff Lynn and Mike Anthony) got through with it. After a while you will want to move on and make some money.

It was a long college career for myself. I went through the good and the bad, but now that I am at the end of my road I can definitely remember quite a few things that made times interesting.

The loss of all sports except baseball, visits from political figures, the death of a chicken and the creation of the dreaded technology fee.

With all of these events that have taken place, it hard to believe that I am going to have to leave (Yeah right).

I have truly had fun being a part of the Almagest. It allowed me to give something back to LSUS, besides an increased beer gut.

The rest of the staff, Lindsey Fertitta and Kirk Dickey, are also hitting the road. It has been fun to work with them and they will be missed as well.

Some times it did not seem that we would ever get this paper out and other times we put it together in our sleep. The most important part of this experience for all of us is the way we have been able to become closer with all types of people on campus. Whether we upset you or not, we still were able to understand you a little bit better. And if not, then we apologize. It is a bigger school that we think and it is tough to get around to everyone.

In closing I would like to say thank you to all the teachers that have been a part of my time at LSUS. Not all were my favorites, but those that were will know. I would also like to inform those individuals at the Times that attend LSUS, HELP, I NEED A JOB. From all of us at the Almagest, we say Good-bye.

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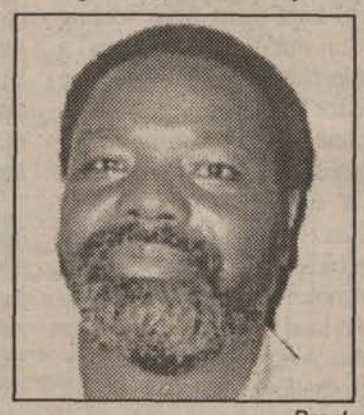
Staff highlight

Brian Rogers
Almagest

Jimmy Brock, custodian at the University Center here on campus, celebrated his 25th year here at LSUS on March 17. Brock said that he worked on campus for an independently contracted custodial firm, before LSUS had custodians.

In 1974, when the university hired a custodial staff, it recruited from the firm, hiring Brock among others.

Brock said, "I like working here, the faculty is nice and I like the students." The time passes, and he says he has no complaints.



Brock

One of the strangest things Brock said he had seen on campus was in 1976. He said, "I came out of the science building and two students, a boy and a girl, were streaking across campus, naked as jaybirds."

The Almagest would like to thank everyone who has been with LSUS since the beginning, especially the staff. The LSUS staff includes secretaries, librarians, information technology assistants, and the campus police. The staff is responsible for the mail room, the physical plant, the bookstore, the radio station and most of the administration building. The staff senate will honor members of the staff on Thursday May 6th at 11:30 on the 3rd floor of the Noel Library. The staff senate meets every second Wednesday in the University Center.

Magical duo comes to LSUS

Cindy Williams
ALMAGEST

Internationally acclaimed entertainers, Kevin and Cindy Spencer, fascinated their audience with the art of illusion Tuesday night in the U.C. Center.

Kevin began by telling the audience that their show was not one that you could sit back and watch. Instead, he will use many volunteers from the audience and that is exactly what he did. Cody Williams, 7, sat on the edge of his seat as Kevin, hands in locked chains, submerged himself in a milk can filled with water, just large enough to hold his crunched up body, then, Cindy locked the can with two Master locks. Williams joined in the experience by holding his breath with Kevin until his escape. Williams said, "My heart was beating so fast. I thought that I was going to see him die. I was scared." The milk can escape, created and perfected by illusionist, Houdini, designed so that the illusionist has to escape within three minutes or he is in a life-threatening situation.

Kevin started practicing magic as a child with a box of tricks his father bought him for his birthday. He practiced magic and held magic shows for small groups to help pay his way through college. Graduating as a psychology major, he and his wife took their show on the road full time. They have won many prestigious awards and hold the title, Performing Arts Entertainers of the Year, which, has been shared only with David Copperfield.

Kevin says, "People have a hard time understanding magic because, they have problems distinguishing between what is real and what is not." This fact enables the Spencer's to fascinate their audience with a mixture of highly technical and old fashion magic. Fredonna Dowden, a spanish major at LSUS, says, "I enjoyed the show a lot; especially, the mind reading game." Fredonna says that she has experienced other illusionists and she believes that people can transfer their thoughts to others. Kevin said in an interview after the show, "Volunteers make our shows work. People can watch magic all day long but, when they get up on stage and experience it for themselves then they believe in the art of magic. was a wonderful night of magic and illusions sponsored by the SAB and, enjoyed by students and their family members as well as the community.

Photo courtesy The Spencer's
The Spencer's

Student organization of the year

Niesha McCoy
Almagest

When asked how she felt about her group winning student organization of the year, words could hardly express the gratitude of Professor Mekio Peek, advisor to the Japanese Cultural Society. "I feel great, wonderful, very excited, and any other words you can think of to describe happiness," Peek said.

Each year a student organization is chosen as organization of the year, according to university service, community service, participation in university events, attendance of SSC meeting, and use of their advisor. The Japanese Cultural Society rated high in all areas, winning them their own office space for the next year and $200 to spend at their discretion.

"JCS has really proven themselves each year, they have a great advisor, and they have gone out into the community to educate others," Lori Korman, advisor to the SAB said. After educating on LSUS' campus, JSC went into the community to educate. They called this program Japan On the Road. In previous years, Peek took on this mission alone. However, this year she decided to involve JCS members, and the outcome was exceptional. The group visited several area schools including J.S. Clark Middle School, University Elementary, and Benton Jr. High. "We will do anything to help the younger generation learn about Japanese Cultural, because so little information is available to them," Peek said.

JCS has already begun planning activities for next year. "I have lots of plans, and students are always willing to help and offer advice for improvement," Peek said. Another Japanese Cultural Festival is in the making. However, this time JCS will join the Red River Rebel, to give more people a chance to engage in this tutorial event. Also, in the year to come, everyone can look forward to a Japanese Film Fest, and several Japanese exhibits.

Professor Peek and Lori Korman both expressed the importance of leadership skills, something that JCS members definitely possess. "We are all working toward a common goal and that's educating the leaders of tomorrow," Korman said.

Placing second for student organization of the year was the Biology Club, and last year's first place winner, the Sociology club, placed third. "They are all doing a good job, and I would like to see more groups get involved next year", Korman said. She also stated that academics should be complimented and what better way to do so than by being involved in a university organization.

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Pre-Cram Jam heads inside

G. K. Trusty, Jr.
Almagest

We were swinging and swaying to the good times happening at Pre-Cram Jam '99. LSUS once again catered to the needs of those students that spend the week before exam time cramming 25 chapters of info in their brains. They provided food and music in order for cram victims to take a break and get away from the exam atmosphere.

Because of the weather, which has spoiled almost every event this semester, Pre-Cram Jam was moved into the UC building. A host of several restaurants came from over the area to provide a hearty lunch for the students. On hand were area favorites Monjuni's, Savoie's, Hickory Stick, Shaver's, Jason's Deli, Kon Tiki, Superior Grill, Semolina, The Dough Basket, Julie Anne's and The Olympic Market.

Monjuni's provided their famous lasagna that had everyone running for the table. Speaking of famous, Shaver's brought their spicy boiled crawfish. The smell of crawfish filled the UC and gave that Cajun flavor to the Jam. If it is Cajun you wanted, then it was Cajun you got. Copeland's, one of Louisiana's greatest Cajun restaurants, threw the red beans in with the rice and dished up a mouth watering entree that probably made you slap your mother.

Jason's Deli offered a variety of fruit and cheese platters to the Jam, while Kon Tiki provided a couple of their oriental dishes, including their delicious egg rolls. Semolina also tempted the tummies of everyone with several pasta dishes and salads. The Dough Basket and Julie Anne's provided a cure for everyones sweet tooth. Cakes and cookies gave a perfect reason for everyone to have dessert.

Superior Grill was on fire with their spicy soft tacos and chimichangas. The Mexican flavor added to the international variety of the Jam. It also gave us a good reason to devour some chips and salsa. You just cannot stay away from those things.

The Olympic Market also added to the international scene with their Greek salad. They also provided a veggie lasagna for those vegetarians and weight watchers.

If eating was not on your mind, then maybe the swinging sounds of "Set'em Up Joe" might have interested you. The band played a variety of swinging songs that got the toes of students tapping. In fact, a few faculty members that were present seemed to put their hips into the music and cut a rug.

While the music was playing, cartoonist Ron Rice transformed students and faculty into caricatures. The cartoonist took a few good glances at the individual and in three minutes popped out a life-like portrait of the person.

Wax hands also seemed to be fly around the campus and for good reason. Students massed around the front of the UC to get their hands waxed. The student put their hands in a container of colored wax several times until the wax hardened. Once everything was solid, the wax hands were carefully removed.

Photo key chains were also a big hit during Pre-Cram Jam, as friends and organizations got together to make a memory that they can carry around with their keys.

It was not your ordinary time of the semester. Of course there is nothing ordinary about exams. Therefore Pre-Cram Jam '99 is allowed to be a little crazy and hopefully a little bit of fun for those cram victims.

Cramin' for those exams

Kathleen McNelis
Almagest

Cram time has arrived ladies and gentlemen! Time to read the chapters you chose not to read when assigned. Time to scramble for notes from students you didn't even know were in your class. Time to begin smiling brilliantly to your professors in perfect posture with your book in hand. We have all been there. The stress is the same for seniors, juniors, sophomores, and freshmen. Even the professors seem insipid to our presence, as they nonchalantly fly through the information you didn't think would be on the test.

Instead of freaking out, here are a few study pointers you can or may already use. The first is coffee. It's a great pick-me-up, but it also dehydrates your system, so sip on some water simultaneously. Another pointer is not to starve yourself, by doing so you only exhaust yourself more.

Stretch. Give your body a break and loosen your joints.

Sleep is the thing that you may be avoiding, but it helps your weary brain and lets you recoup. If you have to avoid real sleep, only let yourself sleep for three hours to avoid REM. And for those of you expect serious sleep deprivation, take "power naps" for no longer than forty minutes.

Hey, after exams are over, relax! You deserve it! Besides, grades won't come out for another week!

Pre-Cram Jam '99

Kirk Dickey

This was the seen at the Pre-Cram Jam, get your card and wait your turn to get a taste of some of Shreveport-Bossier's best cuisine. And it was all FREE!

Kirk Dickey

Swing band, Set 'Em Up Joe, offered some toe-tqpping, live music to enjoy while the crowd tried to decide which food booth to hit next.

Laissez les bon temps roulet.

Kirk Dickey

Another perk of the Pre-Cram Jam was that students got a free t-shirt, as seen above.

Kirk Dickey

No Louisiana festival involving food would be complete without King Cake, provided by the wonderful bakers from the Dough Basket.

A Little Something Different.....

FINALS WEEK:
GOT COFFEE?

New comic strip in Fall

G. K. Trusty, Jr.
ALMAGEST

Jeremy Johnson might be a name that everyone is familiar with, but he will be by the time his stay at LSUS is over. Jeremy is the cartoonist for the Almagest and has recently been drawing the cartoons seen in "A Little Something Different."

Next semester Jeremy will be expanding his drawings into a full lenght series called "Eleventeen."

The major characters of the comic strip are shown to the right. The comic strip involves the lives of the characters in a college surrounding. Each one has their own major and their attitude.

It should be a great new addition to the Almagest. Keep an eye out for it in the Fall semester.

Tom Fischer
our hero
AGE: 19
MAJOR: business
QUOTE: "life moves pretty fast—if you don't stop and look around once in a while you might miss it."
—ferris bueller
handsome, charming, witty...at least in his own mind.
eleventeen
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Gatsby Clarke
the best bud
AGE: 20
MAJOR: fine arts
QUOTE: "the world is but a canvas to the imagination"
—henry david thoreau
calm, cool, collected...hey, somebody's gotta be the responsible one.
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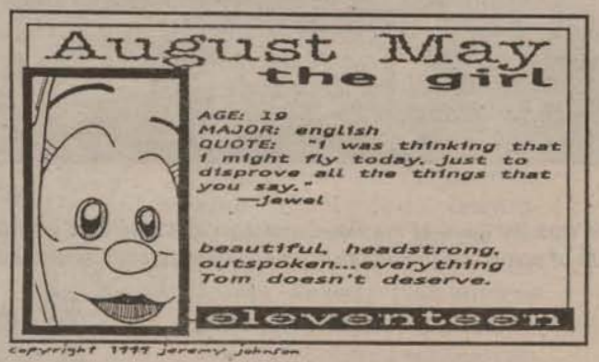
August May
the girl
AGE: 19
MAJOR: english
QUOTE: "I was thinking that I might fly today, just to disprove all the things that you say."
—jewel
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Contact: Accounting dept., college of business

ACJS/Lambda Alpha Epsilon
Meets: 1st and 3rd Tues of each month.
Activities: Various community activities, speakers on law enforcement ops.
Contact: Dr. Bernadette Palombo 797-5343, or Richard Georgia 797-5078.

ACM, Association for Computing Machinery
Meets: 3rd Thu of each month, 10:30, in SC210. Activities: speakers, contests, social activities. Contact: Steve Noonan, 949-2831

AITP, Association of Information and Technical Professionals
Meets: 3rd Thu of each month, 10:30, in SC120. Activities: speakers, scholarships, social activities. Contact: Rebecca Herzog 861-6460

American Humanics
Meets: First Thursday of every month, at 10:30 a.m. in Bronson Hall 355.
Activities: Certification of students working in non-profits.
Contact: Norman Dolch 797-5235

Baptist Student Union
Meets every Wed. at noon and Thurs. at 7 p.m. in the BSU. Activities: Bible Studies, luncheons, community service, social events. Contacts: Ashley Cagle or Keith Reed, 797-1946

Bacchus
Meets: Twice a month, BE 211. Activities: Sponsor of "Alchol Awareness Week" and "National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week"; Mocktail "Happy" Hours. Contact: Jennifer Medina 795-3391

Biology Club
Meets: Twice a month, SC228. Activities: social activities, career seminars, fundraisers, community and campus service projects.
Contact: Dr. Beverly Burden, 797-5088, bbrden@pilot.lsus.edu

Campus Ministry
Meets: 1st and 3rd Tues., 10:30 a.m., UC Pilots Room
Activities: devotionals, programs, service projects
Contact: Toni Bishop, 798-8837 or Betsy Eaves, 869-5024

Catholic Student Union
Meets: Twice a month
Activities: Community service, social events, fundraisers
Contact: Joseph Holubek 868-6104

Chemistry Club
Meets: 1st Thurs.of each month
Activities: group
Contact: Dr. Gustavson, 797-5091

Chi Alpha
Meets Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in U.C. Activities: Dramas, community service, social events
Contact: Kelly Honey, 635-0710

Colleagues
Meets: twice a month, TBA Activities: community service, social activities, campus service projects, raising funds for a minority scholarship. Contact DeWayne Petterway at 631-9391 or 635-5686

Drama Club
Meets: Tues., Thurs., 10:30 a.m., BH330
Activities: Dramatic production, first hand information on auditions in local productions, volunteer work
Contact: Jorgi Jarzabek, 797-5228

English Club
Meets: 3rd Thurs.of each month
Activities: Booksale, guest speakers, social activities
Contact: Dr. Thomas Dubose, BH 251, or Patty Lenox, 869-3251

Golden Z Club
Meets: 2nd Tue of each month, 10:30.
Activities: volunteer work, tutoring, community projects. Contact: Timothy Chia, 795-3372

Health and Physical Ed. Club
Meets: Tues, Thurs. 10:30 a.m.
Activities: Almost Anything Goes for LSUS, judge field days for elementary schools.
Contact: Maxie Foster, 797-7294

History Club
Meets: First Tuesday of each month, at 10:30 a.m. in BH 446.
Activities: Annual LSUS History Fair, Pioneer Heritage Center, Trips in the Field, Research Seminars, and History Stuff.
Contact Dr. Milton Finley, 797-5337 or Gary Joiner 797-4176.

International Club
Meets: 1st Thurs.of each month, 10:30 a.m., in BH236 (Foreign Language Multimedia Lab)
Activities: Guest speakers, films, travel and foreign exchange information, International Food Festival, community service.
Contact: Joe Patrick, 797-5390

Japanese Cultural Society
Meets:2nd and 4th Tues of each month
Activities: demonstrations, discussions
Contact: Emi Wamsley, 861-7482, BH238, BH240

Louisiana Association of Educators, LAESP
Meets: 3rd Thurs. of each month
Activities: Student teacher tea, speakers, bookfair, workshops, and service projects
Contact: Melissa Jones, 746-0597, or LAESP@yahoo.com

Math Club
Meets: 2nd and 4th Tues. of each month, 10:30 a.m., BH 421
Activities: Group activities, Science Olympiad, Viro-Wars Tournament
Contact: Julien Doucet, 797-5331 jdoucet@pilot.lsus.edu or David Fletcher, Dave228@yahoo.com

MBA Association
Meets: Once a month
Activities: seminars with guest speakers on career planning and resume writing, social activities
Contact: Director of Graduate Studies, College of Business

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP)
Activities: It is an inter-faith, interracial, nonpartism, social action group.
Contact: Angela Holmes at Email: Aholmes@studentmail.lsus.edu.

Psychology Club
Meets: 1st and 3rd Thurs. Monthly, 10:30, BE342
Activities: Community service, social events, speakers, fundraisers
Contact: Diane at 797-0015 or Dr. Jimmie Smith at 797-5048

Public Relations Student Society of America
Meets: Monthly, Thurs., 10:30a.m.
Activities: Volunteer work, contact with PRSA, seminars, speakers, workshops
Contact: Jaime Lyons

Rotorac
Meets: Two meetings per month
Activities: Students service organization, one service project per semester, luncheons
Contact: Dr. Paul Merkle, 797-5240

Society of Professional Journalists, Sigma Delta Chi
Meets: TBA
Activities: guest speakers on topics of the field related to journalism, socials
Contact: Lindsey Fertitta, 797-5328

Society for Resource Management
Meets: BE104. Activities: speaker meetings, prof. Chapter Meetings, various activities.
Contact: Eric Gates, 797-9798

Students for Free Enterprise (SIFE)
Meets: Thu, 10:30,. Activities: Teaching Junior achievement . Contact: Dr. Chadwick
742-9357

Sociology/Social Work Club
Meets: BH361
Contact: Ms. Kenna Franklin or David O'Neal, 424-7332

Student Government Association
Meets: Every Mon, 6:30 p.m., DeSoto Room
Open to everyone.
Contact: Nick Crafts. 797-5342

STUDENT ACTIVITIES THANKS YOU

THE STUDENTS OF LSUS

Your ideas, support, and participation has made this a successful semester.

Have A Great Summer!

CAMPUS CALENDAR

Spring 1999 Final Exam Schedule

Exam Time	Exam Date: Friday May 7	Monday May 10	Tuesday May 11	Wednesday May 12	Thursday May 13
8:00 a.m.	8:00 MWF	9:00 MWF	7:45 TT	7:00 MW	9:10 TT
10:30 a.m.	11:00 MWF	12:00 MWF	11:15 TT	10:00 MWF	
1:00 p.m.	1:00 MWF	2:00 MWF			12:40 TT
3:00 p.m.	4:00 MWF	3:00 MWF	3:30 TT	4:30 W	
5:00 p.m.		4:30 M	4:30 TT	5:00 W	
		5:00 M	5:00 TT	5:15 M	
		5:30 M		5:30 W	
				5:30 MW	
7:00 p.m.		6:00 MW	6:00 TT 6:30 TU	6:30 W	6:00 TT 6:30 TH

1. Any class time not listed on this schedule would have the exam time of the closest hour. Example: A 12:30 MW class would have the same exam as a 12:00 MWF class.
2. Saturday classes will have final examinations on Saturday, May 8, at the regular class time.
3. Each examination is scheduled for a two hour period.
4. Examinations in science labs and HPE courses will be given at the last class meeting.
5. A student with 3 or more exams in one day may petition through his/her Academic Dean to take only 2 exams on the same day.